

pollution. If we keep going down this road, then we're going to have a future full of good-paying jobs.

We've got assembly lines that are humming with the components of a clean energy age. We've got more of the best trucks and cars in the world designed and engineered and made in America.

If we keep on going, we're going to leave a better future for our children. And I'm proud

of Safeway and all its workers for helping to show us the way. If it can be done here, it can be done all across the country.

So congratulations to all of you. Thank you, and God bless you. God bless America.

NOTE: The President spoke at 11:30 a.m. In his remarks, he referred to Jack L. Jacobs, director of distribution for the Eastern division, Safeway Inc.

## Statement on Representative Rush D. Holt, Jr.'s Decision Not To Seek Reelection

*February 18, 2014*

Over his 15 years in Congress, Rush Holt combined a relentless focus on building a brighter future with an unwavering commitment to improving the everyday lives of the New Jerseyans he represents, especially the veterans he works tirelessly to support. Just the second research physicist elected to Congress, no one has worked harder to keep America on the cutting edge of innovation than Rush. Time and time again, he has led ef-

forts to fund science education and basic research. His legacy will live on in our labs, our universities, and our classrooms, where countless math and science teachers have been able to afford college thanks in part to the TEACH grants he helped create. Michelle and I thank Congressman Holt for his leadership and service, and we wish him, his wife Margaret, and their children and grandchildren the very best in the future.

## Statement on Representative Gloria Negrete McLeod's Decision Not To Seek Reelection

*February 18, 2014*

Gloria Negrete McLeod has been a strong advocate for hard-working families and farmers in California's 35th District and across the country. She has been a key partner in promoting access to affordable health care and bringing quality employment and higher education opportunities to all Americans. Gloria has con-

sistently supported working women and their families and has championed programs to help our Nation's veterans find jobs and enroll in college. Michelle and I thank Congresswoman Negrete McLeod for her service and send her, her husband Gilbert, and their family our warmest regards.

## Remarks Prior to a Meeting With President Enrique Peña Nieto of Mexico in Toluca, Mexico

*February 19, 2014*

*[President Peña Nieto spoke first in Spanish, and no translation was provided.]*

*President Obama.* Well, let me thank President Peña Nieto for his wonderful hospitality

in hosting us here today. And it's a special treat to be able to visit his hometown of Toluca.

This is my fifth visit to Mexico, and I think it underscores the incredible importance of the relationship between the United States and